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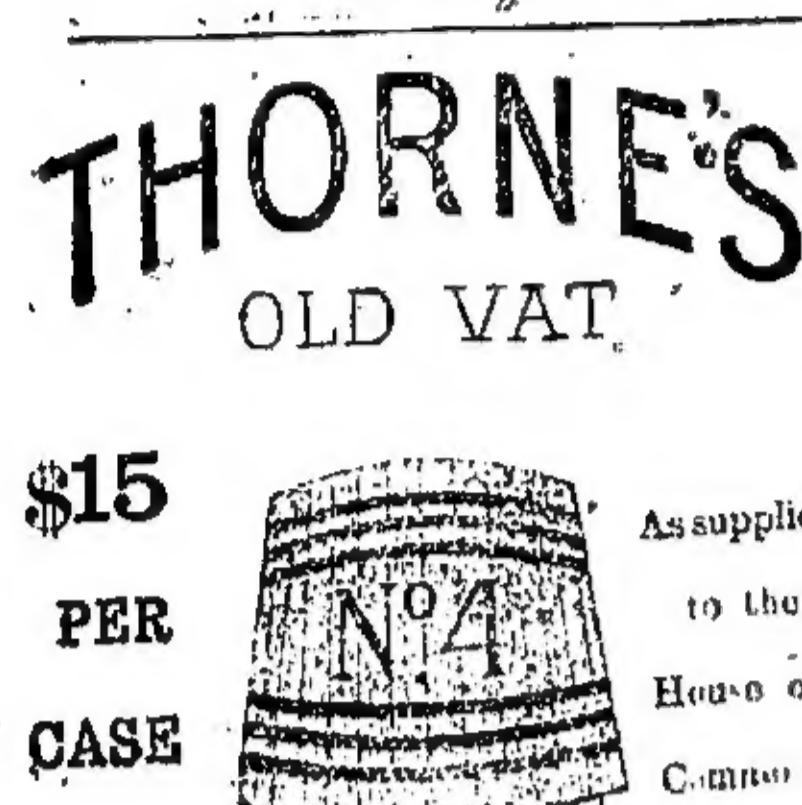
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TUESDAY, May 1, 1908. 793

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IT is hereby notified that information  
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AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE  
will be carried out as under:

ON MONDAY, the 2nd, to FRIDAY, the  
13th March.

From Mt. Parker and District, in a South-  
easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000  
yards, commencing at 11:30 A.M.,  
and finishing at 4 P.M. daily.

ON SATURDAY, the 14th March:  
From Stonecutters in a Westerly direc-  
tion, at ranges up to 6,000 yards,  
commencing at 2:30 P.M., and finish-  
ing at 4 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any  
of the above dates, practice will take place  
on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to  
keep clear of the ranges.

BASIL TAYLOR, Comd. R.N.  
Harbour Master, etc.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1908. 369

NOTICE.

WE have authorized MR. EDWARD  
NISSIM to sign our Firm in Hong-  
kong and China from this date.

E. D. SASSEY & CO.

Hongkong, March 6, 1908. 370

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

I have This Day assumed charge of the  
HONGKONG BRANCH of the above  
Company.

W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS,  
Branch Manager & Underwriter.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1908. 374

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER  
will be held at the HONGKONG  
HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 14th March,  
at 8 o'clock P.M.

Devonians wishing to attend are request-  
ed to send their names to:

M. S. NORTHCOTE,  
Hon. Secretary,  
HONGKONG CLUB,  
Hongkong, March 6, 1908. 368

CLEARANCE SALE.

WE are holding a CHEAP SALE to  
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Quilts, Carpet, our New Sheep, Table-  
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Reduction on above mentioned Goods of  
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A. TACK & CO.,  
36, DES VŒUX ROAD, HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1908. 360

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SOLE AGENTS FOR SOUTH CHINA AND THE  
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NEW TRAVELLER'S HOTEL.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1908. 198

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HAVING been appointed AGENTS for  
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Hongkong, August 7, 1907. 1285

## Intimations.

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Hongkong, February 17, 1908. 266

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THE Undersigned, having taken over  
the AGENCY of the above Company,  
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ALEX. ROSS & CO.,  
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Hongkong, March 4, 1908. 367

## NOTICE.

MR. ALEXANDER MUELLER having  
left China on the 25th ult., ceased  
to sign our Firm per pronunciation on that  
date.

We have this day authorized Mr.

HEINRICH LUDWIG MUHLE of Hong-

kong and Mr. LUDWIG FRIEDRICH

RUDOLF LEHNSING of Canton to sign

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Hongkong & Canton, March 1, 1908.

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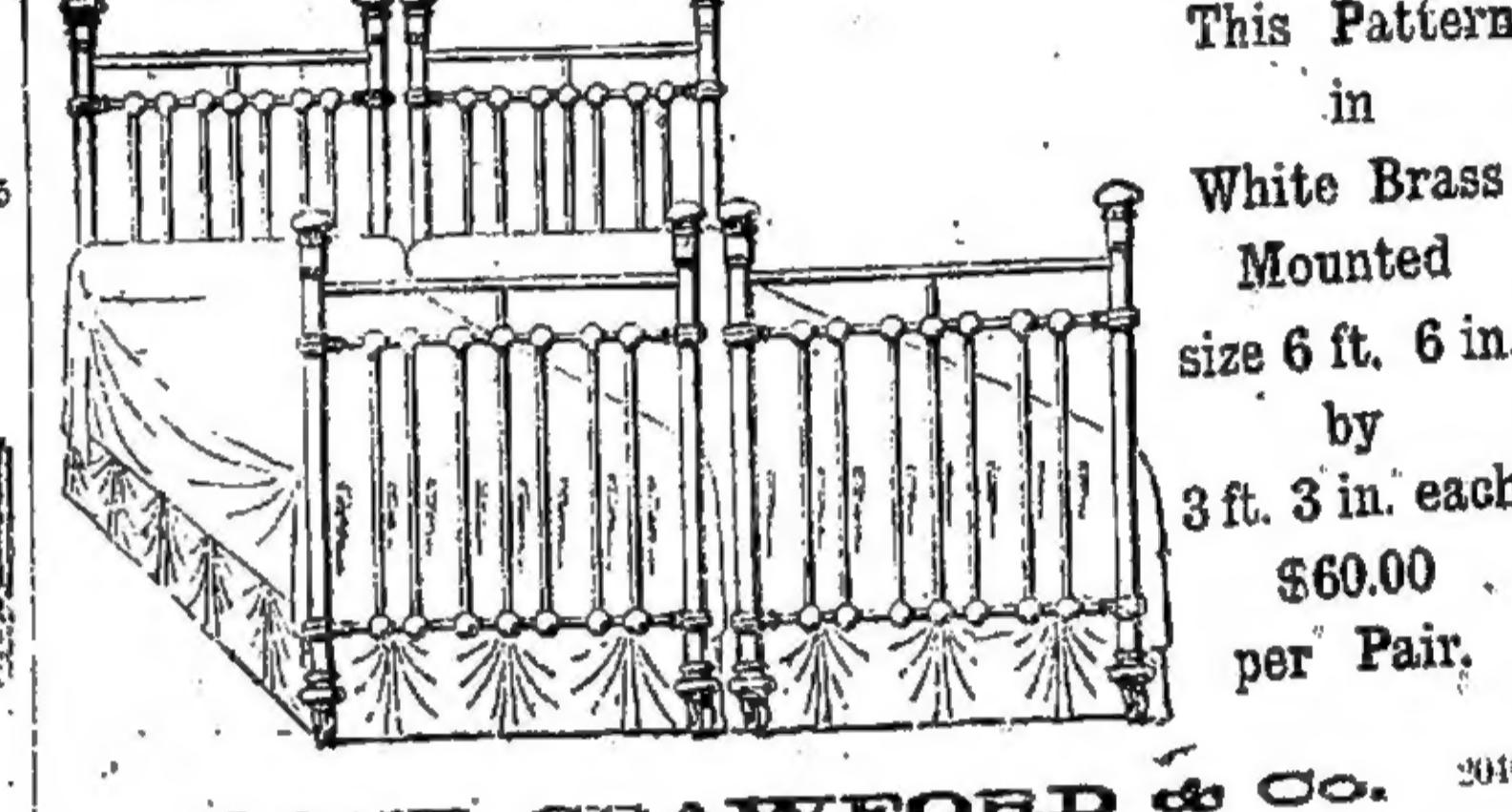
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Hongkong, February 18, 1908.

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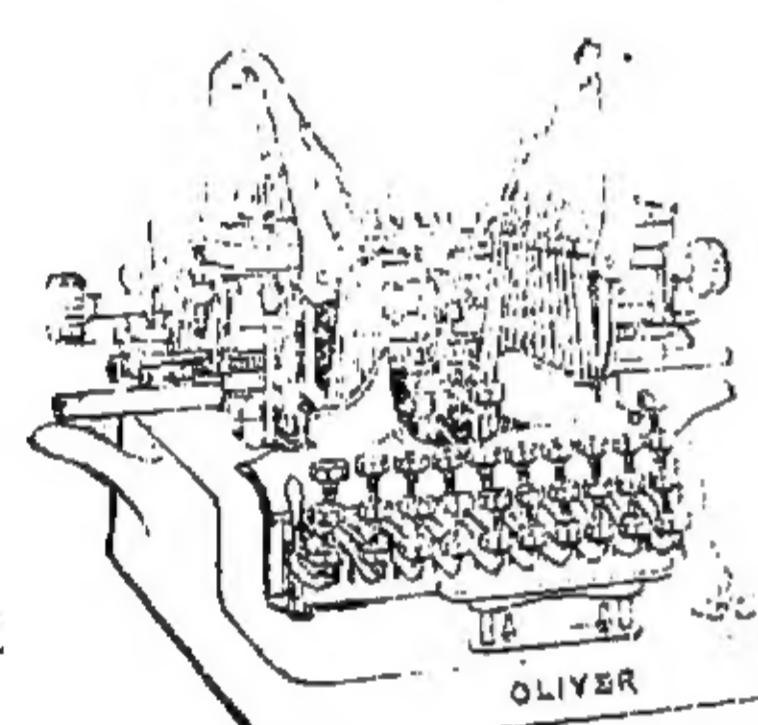


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Pharos, DEPT. 14, 45, Union Street, Glasgow, with your Birth Data, Full Name and Title and Town or County of Birth if possible; upon receipt of same Pharos will send written Test Horoscope.

With the above Pharos will send you Free a written Forecast of your Future, Hongkong, October 31, 1907.

## CONDITIONS IN KOREA.

## A Missionary View.

A Missionary writes in the "Morning Calm" says the condition of Korea, in

many ways, may be said to be unchanged;

and yet every day there is made some small

change, at any rate in Seoul, and there the

tendency becomes more and more towards

accepting the Japanese control of affairs as

a fact against which it is no good to

struggle any longer! But in the country

sights the struggle goes on unabated, in

spite of the fact that the Koreans have

no chance at all when they come into

actual contact with the Japanese troops,

and hundreds of them have been killed

and hundreds of houses have been burnt

as a punishment for their owners having

joined or harboured the insurgents.

The result is that many men have joined

them who would not otherwise have

thought of doing so, and it is feared that

there will be terrible suffering during the

winter for the women and children, who,

having no houses to go to, are scattered

among the hills with that part of the

country is covered, and are living in caves

and holes dug out of the hillsides. No

lack of arms or training and no fear of

death deter the fighters, and the country

is an ideal one for the sort of guerrilla war-

fare that goes on. Many bands of robbers

seem to be springing up, who respect

neither friend or foe.

The insurgents are generally favourable

to the Christians, and some amusing stories

come to hand. A Christian teacher was

coming up to Seoul, and on his way fell

into the hands of one of the wandering

bands, and was killed before the leader. He said: "You claim to be

a Christian?" The leader said: "Well,

at any rate, you can recite the Ten

Commandments?" The man could not, and

began to tremble for his life. Again the

leader said: "Well, anyhow, you know the

Creed?" But this was too much for him; and he only got off by stammering through

the Lord's Prayer, which he managed to

do in spite of his fright. The Japanese,

on the other hand, suspect Christians of

being antagonistic to them, and in some

cases, which seem to be well authenticated, they have suffered considerably at their

hands.

## THE PROPHET'S TROUBLES.

A prophet, by the name of Kasan Moham-

med, has given rise to serious trouble in

Java, in the province of Madium. He and

sixty-seven of his disciples have been

arrested. In their houses, the police found

charms, amulets and a quantity of docu-

ments which showed that they were plot-

ting a rebellion. The prophet intended to

proclaim himself King. He showed himself

defiant before the police and challenged

the Government to do its worst. To him

it was a matter of the utmost indifference.

He was destined to be a King and would

be, in spite of the Government. Matters

came to a head early this month.

Count Lászlo Széchenyi and Miss Gladys

Vanderbilt were married on January 27 at

the house of the bride's mother in New

York in the presence of 350 guests. At

one end of the room was an altar under a

bower of palm trees, the trunks of which

were entwined with thousands of orchids.

The bride is a refined young lady, with

many accomplishments and little love of

display or dress. She inherited three

millions sterling from her father, Mr.

Cornelius Vanderbilt. The presents were

many and dazzling. The bridegroom is a

serious young diplomatist of good Hungari-

an family, and is interested in the politics of his own

country. Countess Széchenyi will probably

reside much abroad and join the other 500

American heiresses who, it is asserted,

have exchanged 40 millions sterling for

foreign titles!

Suppose, for instance, you are a maker

of Pottery, our Clipping Bureau might

find in some paper an item saying that a

big wholesale Pottery concern was being

reorganized in a certain town;—we, of

courses, would send you that business news

with that firm.

We can do just the same in any line of

business, for there is always something

new to know.

We can supply you with advertisements

of all the great American merchants and

manufacturers, so that you may assimilate

their ideas and increase your business in

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1908.

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CHAMBERS in No. 2, WYNDHAM Street, late Hotel Baltimore, rent £100 per month. First Floor of No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, containing 6 Rooms and Servants' Quarters. Apply to DAVID SASOON & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, February 25, 1908. 311

## TO LET.

4 and 5-ROOMED HOUSES in KOW-LION, COMMODIOUS SHOP in DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, immediate Possession. Moderate rentals. WILDSOR LODGE, Kimberley Road, Kowloon. Six-roomed House fitted with Electric Light and full use of Tennis Court. Apply to HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD., Hongkong, August 13, 1907. 1321

## TO LET.

## IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

GODOWNS Nos. 98, 98A, 99 and 99A, PRAYA EAST. Apply to SECRETARY, THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO S.B. CO., LTD., Hotel Mansions, Hongkong July 23, 1907. 1200

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HATHERLEIGH, CONDUIT ROAD. A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, ON THE ROAD. OFFICES in YORK BUILDING, GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, Blue Building and No. 16A, DES VŒUX ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel. FLATS in MONTEGO TERRACE. OFFICES on Top Floor No. 2, CONDUIT ROAD, facing the Cricket Ground. No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor. HOUSES in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD., Hongkong, March 1, 1908. 24

## TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAYA KENNEDY TOWN. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD., Hongkong, March 1, 1908. 130

## TO LET.

STILLINGFELT, PEAK ROAD. Groomed House with fine view of the Harbour. Moderate Rent. HARPERVILLE, GARDEN ROAD, 6 Rooms, Electric Light and Tennis Court. Apply to PERCY SMITH & SETH, Hongkong, November 25, 1907. 1872

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AUCTION ROOMS, No. 2, ZETLAND STREET, No. 2, FAIRVIEW, ROBINSON ROAD, Kowloon. WOODBURY, GARDEN ROAD, ROSHENHOF, KOWLOON. 4, FAIRVIEW, ROBINSON ROAD, Kowloon. Apply to LEIGH & ORANGE, 1, Des Vœux Road, Hongkong, February 8, 1908. 25

## TO LET—MARCH 1.

DESIRABLE FLAT, just colour-washed, in Top TERRACE, KENNEDY ROAD. Rent \$30 per month. Apply by letter to P. F. Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office, Hongkong, February 25, 1908. 367

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OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Apply to SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., LTD., Hongkong, April 22, 1907. 730

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TOWER HOUSE; Ten Rooms; KENNEDY ROAD. Apply to MRS G. SACHSE, KINGSCLORE, Hongkong, September 2, 1907. 1419

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70,000 SQUARE FEET of LAND with 200 foot frontage to Kowloon Bay. Moderate Rental. Apply to MESSES FARRELL & LYSAUGHT, Hongkong, August 23, 1907. 1369

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## TO LET.

BACONFIELD ARCADE, Fine Office and Dwelling Rooms, 15, Queen's Road CENTRAL, Top Floor (with Coldich, Moatshack & Co.). BELLISS TERRACE HOUSES, ROBINSON ROAD.

GLENWOOD, GARDEN ROAD, suitable for a Boarding House or Club, contains 26 Rooms.

OFFICES in Queen's Road CENTRAL, No. 57, PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO. EGGSFORD (furnished), No. 114, PEAK. Contains 3 Rooms. No. 71, Wyndham Street.

Good Central GODOWN No. 34, DUDDELL STREET.

LADBROKE, No. 9, CONDUIT ROAD, 6 Rooms, Furnished or Unfurnished, from 15th April, 1908. Large servants' quarters and full sized Tennis Court.

No. 3, DUDDELL STREET, Shop and 1st Floor.

Nos. 1 & 2, DES VŒUX VILLAS, Peak. Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS, 3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, April 12, 1907. 1621

## To Let.

## OFFICES TO LET IN HOTEL MANSIONS—1st Floor.

4 ROOMS facing PEDDER STREET, will be let single or together.

Apply to L. Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office, Hongkong, February 29, 1908. 396

## TO LET.

## A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, March 1, 1908. 20

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, the Peak.

STOWFORD, BONHAM ROAD,

6, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.

Apply to M. S. Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office, Hongkong, January 4, 1908. 22

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

## NO. 1, SALISBURY AVENUE, Kowloon; from 1st November, 1908.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, September 25, 1907. 1647

## TO LET.

## NO. 5, MORRISON HILL, One Four-Roomed House, at PRAYA EAST, near East Point.

Apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.

Hongkong, September 27, 1907. 1558

## TO LET.

## A STORE in Good Position, No. 14, Queen's Road Central, including First Floor, and Godown at back, with Lease.

Apply at 14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, February 25, 1908. 308

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## IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

GODOWN NO. 101, PRAYA EAST.

Apply to CHATER & MODY, Victoria Buildings.

Hongkong, January 16, 1908. 68

## TO LET.

## ONE ROOM in PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, Top Floor, apply to S. J. DAVID &amp; CO.

Hongkong, February 23, 1908. 328

## TO LET.

## L A HACIENDA, East, Mount Kalat, The Peak, unfurnished, from the middle or end of April next. For particulars, apply to the Undesignated.

C. H. GRACE, Care of Secretary's Office, HONGKONG CLUB.

Hongkong, February 7, 1908. 211

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Hongkong, February 23, 1908. 328

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His Lordship, in giving judgment, said the Court came to the conclusion that the officers of the Nikobar left their ship hurriedly, believing that all hope of saving the burning vessel was gone and that when the crew of the Danish ship were taken on board the Aborgelie, some of them were the worse for drink. Consequently the captain and officers of the Danish ship found that they could not rely upon their crew to do any further work of extinguishing the fire. Referring to the Arab dhow which was cruising round the Nikobar, His Lordship said he was advised that at the spot where the Nikobar was picked up an attack by Arabs was certainly to be feared, and that unless a vessel under steam had been in the vicinity of the burning vessel the Arabs would have boarded the ship with very unpleasant results. His Lordship added, with regard to suggestions that had been made that the captain of the Nikobar intended to scuttle his ship, that he did not think the suggestions were established at all. In his opinion no blame whatever was attachable to the captain of the Nikobar.

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and landing charges.  
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**Amusements.**  
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

**General Memoranda.**

**TUESDAY, March 10:**—  
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Hongkong  
Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at Messrs  
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**WEDNESDAY, March 11:**—  
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ship Co., Ltd., close from this date to  
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**THE SEIZED STEAMER.**

**MATTERS in connection with the seized steamer Tatsu Maru II are rapidly coming to a head. The official statement of the case issued by the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which we published yesterday, shows that the Japanese authorities are quite convinced that the Chinese acted in an illegal manner in seizing the vessel. The suggestion that the arms which formed portion of the steamer's cargo were to be smuggled is explicitly denied and the assertion made that the Tatsu Maru II was in Portuguese waters when she was seized. This latter is a statement of fact which it should be easy to prove or disprove. From the onlooker's point of view the main point apart from the question of international law is whether the arms and ammunition were designed for the use of persons in rebellion against the lawful authorities of the Empire of China. On the Macao Government show that 94 cases of guns and 40 cases of ammunition were ordered for its own use, and are Portuguese troops at Timer or Macao armed with Japanese weapons? Apart from the question of the sovereign rights of states these queries deserve a frank answer. If the arms were not intended for the use of Portuguese troops for whose use were they intended? It would be utterly ridiculous to pretend that the private trade in firearms within the Colony of Macao would justify such a shipment. On the information at present available we think that if the Tatsu Maru II was in Chinese territorial waters at the time of her seizure the Chinese authorities were**

**justified in their action and that the onus of proving that the vessel was engaged in legitimate trade rests upon the owners and consignees. It would, in any event, be extremely unfortunate if Japan adopted too dictatorial a voice in dealing with this matter. We note that an incident in connection with the negotiations arising out of the seizure is the subject of unfavourable comment in the native press. It is reported that the Japanese Consul was so ill-advised in the practice and precedent of delicate and highly controversial official intercourse that he departed from the forms which are recognised as binding in communications of the kind called for by the situation, and sent to the Viceroy of Canton a despatch in Japanese with no Chinese version of the document. The circumstances leading up to this irregular proceeding are not specified. It is, however, stated that the matter was referred to Peking to be there dealt with, and that the Viceroy has been instructed by embassadors from the Capital. By them he will be guided, not only in respect to the subject matter, but also as regards the mode of inter-communication and discussion. In the meantime, a further paragraph, the authority of which we have no means of testing, declares that the Japanese Government is preparing to send three of their country's war vessels to cruise off the South China coast, the movement being intended as a naval demonstration preliminary to other such measures as may seem called for in the event of satisfaction being withheld for the seizure and detention of the Japanese trader. Possibly an unprejudiced view of the facts, as they are before the public, may lead to astonishment that so little prominence has been given in the native Chinese newspapers to an affair which might well lead to grave issues. Doubtless for sufficient reason, the native press, of whatever shade of opinion or attitude towards the vice-regal and Imperial Government, has practised considerable self-restraint, and the most prejudiced reader cannot readily substantiate a charge of using the event of the seizure to stir up strife between the two countries. It is plain, however, that native Chinese writers took with disfavour on what they represent as a slight to their officials on the part of Japan's representative responsible for the proper conduct of negotiations at the port of detention. On the face of the incident reported, and presuming this account to accord with fact and verity, there seems to have been a departure, which all well-wishers of the two countries must deplore, from that established routine, required by official courtesy, and essential to the proper conduct of intercourse at all times when serious questions fraught with issues of vast consequence are pending between two nations. Japan's best interests will surely be well consulted by preserving so far as possible all friendly relations with China. The two countries should stand together in the present, if each is to follow by the path now opening towards the high destiny that awaits it in the future. Japan is not independent of China. She cannot afford to set at naught the greater nation nor to flaunt her in diplomacy. If it be true that China owes a large debt to the island empire for her own autonomy and the power to carry on negotiations of any kind as an independent nation, it is equally true that Japan's hope of maintaining what she struggled so strenuously and so successfully to acquire is bound up with the attitude of China. It behoves both nations while safeguarding each its proper interests to guard against causes of quarrel that may endanger the friendly relations on which each has to depend. We notice that in Korea there is a movement, more or less widespread, in the direction of things Chinese as opposed to things Japanese. These facts and considerations should give Japan pause and she should**

**remember that a good cause cannot be bettered by naval demonstrations and official acts of discourtesy. The legality of the seizure of the Tatsu Maru II is a matter for process of law and Japan's contentions will not be strengthened by hinting at the argument of the big stick and refusing to recognise the ordinary amenities which are obligatory in intercourse between nations.**

**[The above was written before the receipt of the telegram published in another column announcing that China has decided to make a reparation of the unfortunate Commander of the Kwangtung Navy.]**

**Men of influence as leaders advocate the use of Chinese dress by the Corans and, we read, of a serious endeavour to displace the families and highly picturesque Coran native costume for the garb of the Chinese rice. We take this to be at once a form of protest and an expression of pro-Chinese feeling in a country where Japan may be said to be predominant at the expense of China. There may be little or no significance in the advocacy of a change in natural dress of a country. On the other hand there may exist conditions which render such advocacy equivalent to the hoisting of a flag that determines the possession of territory and the controlling power over a large extent of country. In this instance it is we think a sign of the times to be duly noted for its significance in relation both to China and to Japan.**

**Those who say that the Japanese will never admit that they are in the wrong should read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the recent admission made by Count Hayashi to an interviewer. The Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs frankly confessed that his countrymen in Manchuria were not playing the game according to any recognised rules. They were, the Count said, suffering severely from big heads and were, so to speak, trailing their kimono and extending cordial invitations to any foreign shipman to tread on its tail—if a "kimono" rejoices in such an appendage. The Minister recommends them to qualify for a smaller size in hats and the advice is sound. Japan has all to gain and nothing to lose by holding off from the "fanciful boast and foolish word" which our own Imperial Poet has counselled against indulgence in.**

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

## THE SEIZED STEAMER.

## China Climbs Down.

(From Our Correspondent.)

PEKING, March 7.

The Waiwupu has informed the Japanese Minister at Peking that the Commander-in-Chief of the Kwantung Navy (Admiral Li) will be punished in connection with the seizure of the Tatsu Maru II.

## AN ACUTE SITUATION.

## Break-Off of Negotiations Expected.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 7.

The situation between China and Japan in regard to the seizure of the Tatsu Maru II has become serious. A break-off of negotiations is expected at any moment. The Japanese Government has assumed an aggressive attitude.

Local authorities have, it is reported in the vernacular papers, received private telegrams from Peking to the effect that the Japanese minister has given three days to the Chinese to release the vessel, failing which an ultimatum will be given.

The Peking authorities have realised the situation and are reported to have wired the Canton Viceroy to release the vessel. Enquiries at the various Yamen here elicit the information that urgent wires have arrived from the Waiwupu regarding the seized vessel, and while willing to part with the vessel the authorities still insist on the retention of the arms.

Much excitement has been created by the turn of affairs and it is impossible to ascertain what the authorities have decided to do.

## PUBLIC EXCITEMENT.

Public excitement prevails here undoubtedly on the receipt of private information from Peking. A general meeting of the self-Government Society is called for to-morrow. Circulars, very strongly worded, have been sent out. The Canton business community, educational class and people of all classes are invited to join in resisting the demand of the Japanese.

## SIR ROBERT HART'S OPINION.

In official circles, it is stated that the matter has been referred to the Inspector General of Customs, Sir Robert Hart, for an opinion. Sir Robert is reported to be in favour of surrendering the vessel to avoid a conflict, it being feared that China will have to pay a heavier indemnity by detaining the vessel longer.

## THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

## Annual Meeting.

The ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited was held at 12.30 to-day. Mr W. H. Potts was in the chair and there were also present:—The Hon. Mr E. Osborne and Dr Noble (Directors); Captain Clarke; Messrs P. C. Potts, E. S. Kidderstone, J. Arnold, F. Mathland, E. D. Haskell, A. Turner, E. J. Chapman, Lo Cheung Shuh, Chan Nam, and M. Mooney, Secretary.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—

Gentlemen, With your approval we will accept the report and accounts as read. It is with regret that we have again to place before you our account, showing a further reduction in profits, the shortage being over \$180,000.00 less compared with the corresponding period of 1906. This is caused by the continued falling off in those departments which in previous years have proved the most profitable and the unfortunate collapse of part of the side verandah of the East Wing in August last depriving the Hotel of the use of many rooms. There does not appear to be any prospect of an early increase in return as although the falling off in bars etc. has for the moment ceased we have now to suffer loss from a further decrease in the rooms available in the old building and in rents of shops vacated and to be vacated shortly. Considerable economy has been effected in the various departments and we expect to make large reductions in the coal bill soon as the gas engines are working. During the period under review three electric lifts have been installed, also telephones and fire alarm bells on each floor and one new gas engine is in good working order. Your Board have given a lot of time to the consideration of the best building to take the place of the old part of the Hotel and they hope in the next few months to place their recommendation before you when they will have to ask you for more capital. Three schemes were considered and the one finally recommended still I trust, as when completed, your Hotel should be in a first class position to meet all requirements of residents and tourists for many years to come. Until all tenders are received, it is impossible for me to give a reliable estimate of the cost but I would remark that it is likely that the amount of new capital to be called up will exceed the 3 lacs mentioned by your chairman at the last general meeting of the company. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to reply to any questions to the best of my ability.

There being no question the Chairman proposed and Mr Turner seconded the adoption of the report, which was carried unanimously.

Captain Clarke proposed the re-election of the Hon. Mr E. Osborne as director. Mr Mathland seconded and the motion was carried.

On the motion of Mr Haskell, seconded by Mr P. C. Potts, Messrs H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Ho were re-elected auditors.

The Chairman—We are obliged for your attendance; dividend warrants will be ready on Monday on application to the Secretary.

## HONGKONG MILLING COMPANY, LTD.

## General Meeting.

The third ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Milling Company, Limited, was held at noon to-day. Mr A. H. Ronnie was in the chair and there were also present:—Sir Paul Ghater, H. N. Mody, E. Shullin, J. Orange, H. E. Chard, A. H. Ough, G. Percy Smith, Hon. Woi-Yuk, Ting Lai Kok, Loung Koon Tai, N. Yohayashi, and W. Hughes.

The notice convening the meeting having been read,

The Chairman said:—"Gentlemen, the report and accounts to the end of 1907 have now been in your hands for the past 10 or 12 days, and with your permission I will take them as read. I hope you will agree with me that the result of the works is satisfactory for the first year of a Company such as this, which introduces a new industry in the Colony. The conditions throughout the year have been distinctly unfavourable, the large stocks of American and Australian flour, which amounted to over 5,000,000 bags in 1907, having drawn a very depressing effect on our prices, which are much below the level justified by the advance in wheat. The outlook for the current year is more promising, the demand for our product continues so strong that we have difficulty in keeping pace with it. As stated in the Directors' report, our rice plant will be in running order by the beginning of April. The Hongkong Ice Company have contracted to take the whole of our output for a period of ten years, and we anticipate that this branch of our business will prove very profitable. I am glad to say that everything is going smoothly at the mills; our Diesel engine and Milling Plant are in perfect condition, and there is no sickness among the employees. A profit of \$161,262.76 in the first eleven months of our working proves that we have established the business on a sound basis, and I confidently believe that at our next meeting we will be in a position to propose a handsome distribution of profits, but in view of the fact that it was our first working year and that we are still expending a considerable sum on capital account my Directors recommend that we pay off our debt of \$74,034.57 by credit of this year's account, which will meet with your approval.

I now beg to move that the report and statement of account at 1st December, 1907, be received, approved and adopted.

Mr Orange, in seconding, said:—"I have had a great deal of experience in commanding men companies—but I think that this is almost the first occasion to my knowledge that a debit of \$77,000 has been transferred into a credit of \$82,000 in the short space of about eleven months. It may be said that this debit of \$77,000, which to my mind should not have been put to working account, should have been put to the capital account because I cannot understand how a company which has not started working can have a working account. Of course it comes to the same thing. I look the \$77,000 as really a writing off of the capital and in that way it must be considerably less than \$1,000,000 and machinery which is put down as \$841,000. The result is that the new company starts after this writing off on the first year with a credit of \$82,000. I think that this is a most great contribution especially to the new energetic manager (applause) with whom I have had close and intimate connections since the commencement of the buildings. I have never come across such an energetic and capable individual as Mr Ronnie, who does not seem to know the meaning of the word 'difficulties' seem to vanish. If you give us I think shareholders ought to get now and then to look at the factory you will be astonished at the cleanliness, order and neatness in a factory which as a rule is not particularly noted for cleanliness, at least so far as my experience at home was concerned, as I always found that a flour mill was the dirtiest concern that could be met with. This place of Junk Bay is a model of neatness and the smiling faces and alertness of the Chinese I think will astonish anyone who has been accustomed to immunities in Hongkong. With these few words I beg to second the adoption of the report.

The motion was carried.

Mr Shellin's appointment to the Board was confirmed and Sir Paul Ghater and Mr Mody were re-elected on the motion of Mr Ough, seconded by Mr Woi Yuk.

Mr Ough proposed the re-election of Mr Percy Smith as auditor. Mr Mody seconded and the motion was carried.

The Chairman—Thank you for your attendance.

## FAMINE EXPECTED.

## Scarcity of Rice.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 6.

The scarcity of rice has created not a small amount of anxiety on the part of the officials. The Prefect has notified the various charitable institutions to prepare for a famine, and as a result of this communication the charitable institutions held a meeting yesterday.

Arrangements are now being made to supply rice from Amur to be sold at cost price if necessary. The Hongkong Tung Wah Hospital has also been asked to assist in relieving the anticipated stringency.

## MILITARY MATTERS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 4.

The Military Department has informed the students of the Canton Military College that the German Legation at Peking will arrive shortly to review the local Army, and has asked the students to make the necessary arrangements for his reception.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE OFFICIALS V. THE OFFICERS.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Sir,—If you dare to, and care to, publish a few really candid comments, then write, as they say at Saigon.

All this fussing, now—a question? Isn't it just our old friends Tweedledum and Tweedledee again, the Officials versus the Officers? This isn't gracious, I know—not numerously—but I warned you I would try to throw a rope to Truth at the bottom of her well, where I have been told "tie in better form to let the lady sail."

This evening (Friday) you enlarge, I see, on the "old-servicemen" of non-official publicists. I have not any individuals in mind; assure you, when I suggest that this is simply fudge and fallacious.

Speaking generally and not only of if including Hongkong, the men who devote their time (not always their own time, by the way) to publicising have, they—or an eye to personal aggrandisement, to the "bubble reputation," even to possible honours and decorations? Misled good taste for a fleeting instant. Sip cold-drawn truth for a moment, and tell me, am I hopelessly wrong?

Apparently enthusiasm and energy demand. You emphasise the fact that officials are paid for their services. This is true, but like tides, for an editor to say, "Why? Please, please."

At Hongkong the editors are paid for their services. They could have an easy, pleasant, comfortable time by sympathetic behaviour of every public character mentioned. They need never find fault, never criticise anything or anybody adversely, and never make an enemy: They would draw their salaries just the same, and possibly have quite a crowd to see them off at Pedder's Wharf or Happy Valley as their luck might be. That's what makes Hongkong editors so hard for the recommendations of the late Commissary in, or presume to find faults with established institutions?

Public spirit? You tell me that? But consider, sir, you must admit the things they do are "in the ordinary course of duty, work for which they are paid."

Public spirit? Pooh! They are no more than the rest of us, and possibly more. No more, and no less.

But this odorous comparison of mine is elastic enough to stretch a little further than that. You remind us that "the non-official sacrifice" his own interests on the altar of public duty, voluntarily. I refrain from reminding you with what object sacrificial offerings have always been made, and instead, with your own words in mind, will ask you to ponder the familiar case of the non-editorial person who sacrifices his own &c, on the altar of &c, quite "voluntarily," by getting on his hind legs now and then to tell the editor how he ought to run his paper, or rather, to tell the delighted public how the editor ought not to conduct it.

Does that parallel analogy not score at least a Maggie? Must you not admit that the unpaid and voluntary instructor of the editor knows better what is best in journalism than does the editor who makes edit for pay? It seems to me you editors and the officials are in the same boat. What?

The that public meeting that you ask for. What does the public know about what's going on? When you complain of public apathy, do you not suspect that it may mean the public doesn't "bother" because it doesn't care? For that matter, what public have you in mind? Is it an enormous mass of down-trodden and overburdened taxpayers, or a comparatively small mob of property owners, or what?

A ratepayer's first thought would be to keep down the rates; that's his little axe. A property owner—well, I needn't illustrate his. Now, what axe has the official got to grind? He could draw his pay just the same by refraining from the "sedulous" and "bitter" opposition you complain of, by having favour and trying to adopt every suggestion of every voluntary and unpaid adviser in the Colony. Of course we are all absolutely disinterested and self-sacrificing, except when some amateurish artist ventures to paint Truth in the nude; it is not rarely possible that the official may be disinterested as others? Tell us what you suspect, so far as the law of libel permits. It isn't that which handicaps you with a deadweight of bungus, you editors, but the contention that insinuates your wearing ostentatiously the phallicatory of "material" controversy.

I know you that. Manfully, manfully, I would like to suggest that a parliamentary investigation (with unfeigned candour) mightn't hurt politics luredly. Heaven knows to what persecutions could be liable, and perhaps it would be pleasant to have to tell Truth as the gladiators hailed Caesar—morture to salutem.

As I said, if you dare to and care to, you may print those not very coherent protests which though pro-oficial are unofficial. If you think them officious—but I must risk that, of course.—Yours, etc.,

T. W.

Our correspondent, apparently wishes us to disregard the amenities in controversy. That would be a reversal to the practice of the period when the controversialist emphasised his arguments with a club. The heavier club and the stouter arm solved the question as the pistol did the problem in the old days.

It was in the ordinary course of his duties and was paid for. The civilian official's work was performed in the ordinary course of his duties and was paid for. Let us say that the work was sufficiently rewarded by the consciousness of public service rendered. But the Government of Hongkong did not consider that the receipt of salary on the one hand and the consciousness of public service rendered on the other was a sufficient reward. Holding this view, the Government procured for the official a valued decoration and for the civilian a silver inkstand? We say that this is illustrative of the attitude of the Hongkong Government towards unofficials and we said, and repeat, that it is an attitude to be deprecated. The argument of the officials' work was performed in the ordinary course of duty. This is no attempt to re-phrase, or reflect upon the official concerned. We are only repeating what the leading papers in Hongkong said in 1895 when the incident occurred.

In particular, we note that the editor of the "Daily Press" referred to the offer

of an inkstand to the unofficial while his official colleague had a decoration conferred on him as a "marked and intentional insult." This is quoted merely to show the attitude towards an official in comparison with that taken up apropos a civilian. It has never been our contention that public spirit was incompatible with paid services. Our correspondent admits that editors would draw their salaries all the same if they did not "find fault with established institutions" and inferentially argues that they should take the side of least resistance. They do not do so, happily, a rule, because they are sufficiently public spirited not to have their mental horizon limited by their monthly cheque. The editor who does not "find fault with established institutions" when he believes fault is not to be found is not performing his duty and is drawing payment for services not rendered.

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## COMMERCIAL.

Arrangements are being made to start a sugar refinery in Chinchow. It will be on official concern.

The bean-cake trade in Manchuria, is now very busy and most of this commodity has been sent down from Mukden via Hsinmin-tun to Yinkow by the I. R. N. C. via the loss of the Japanese S. Manchurian Line.

The number of passengers carried by the Canton-Hankow Railway during the ten days ending 30th of the first month is 29,043, and the amount of fares collected is \$3,507.11. The total number of passengers for the Chinese moon is \$9,447 and the amount of fares is \$9,775.78.

—Dr. O. M.]

## COMPANIES STRUCK OFF.

## \$300 Gift to Corinthian Club.

At a dinner tendered to Dr Clark at the King Edward Hotel last night Dr Hayes, of Siam, who has just returned from the Medical Conference at Manila, was inspired by a discussion on types of boats to make a splendid offer to the Corinthian Yacht Club. He said he would give \$300 to the Committee of the Club, to be given as a prize to the member who designed the boat judged most suitable to the club and for racing in Hongkong.

A full report of the discussion which took place in the club will be given to the members of the club on Monday, want of space compelling us to do this offer being made will be given to the members of the club on Monday, want of space compelling us to do this.

Naturally the offer was accepted and the Doctor was promptly made an honorary member of the Club for life.

—Dr. O. M.]

Our Canton Correspondent wrote under date of 6th March:—The Silk Market does not open at all encouragingly, the price having declined to \$690, and a serious reduction will be confronted, says a silk merchant when asked to give an opinion as to the outlook for the year, if a reduction does not take place at an early date. The business for the year that has passed was all that one could wish for, and it appears that owing to the previous good year the stocks have come forward largely and have brought about the present slump. It is doubtful whether an immediate revival ensues.

Tributes were also paid to the Doctor by others present, amongst these speaking being several members and Dr Hayes, who, as elsewhere mentioned, made a very liberal gift to the club in the shape of \$300 as an incentive to boat racing.

Dr Clark, who was presented with a large framed photograph of the Club House, departed for England to-day.

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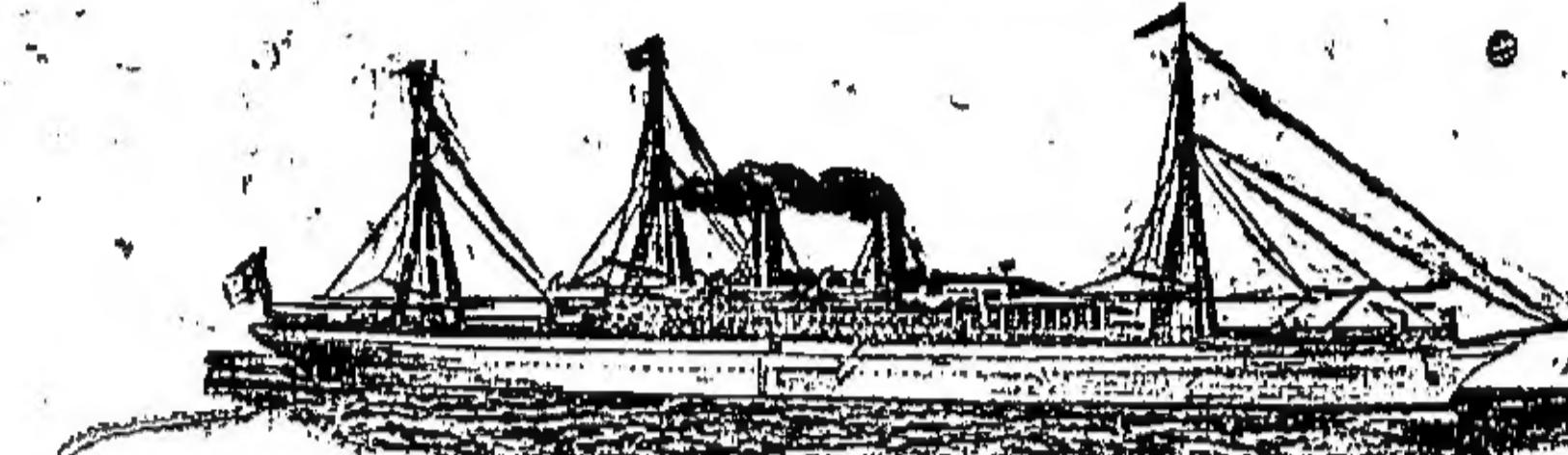
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VILLE AND BRISBANE. CAPT. T. L. Harrison, Tons 5539 April, at Noon.  
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YOKOHAMA. CAPT. T. Harrison, Tons 5539 Mar., at Noon.  
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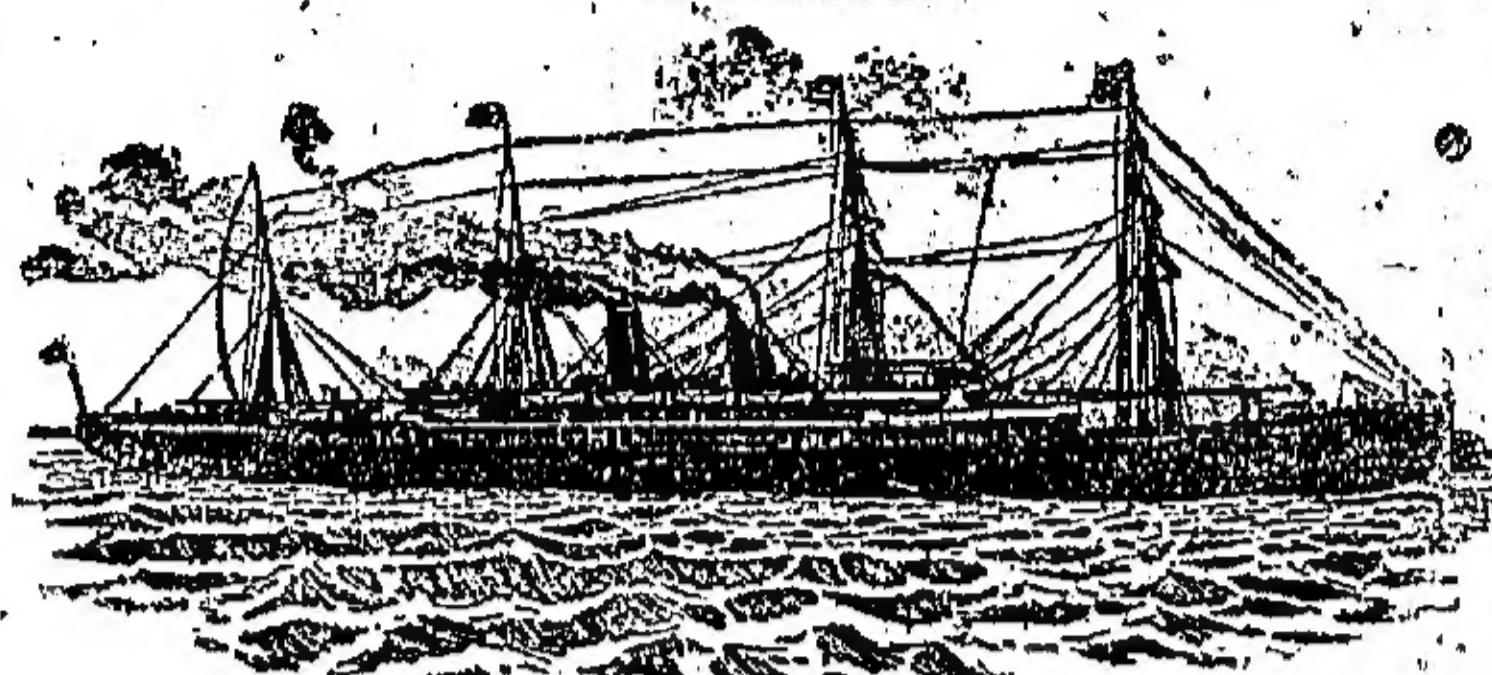
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#### All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 9th March, at 3 p.m.

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#### J. MILLET, Agent.

#### Hongkong, March 2, 1908.

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## DEATH OF MR FORBES.

### Shot at Tientsin.

The whole town received a considerable shock on Sunday morning when the *China Critic* of Feb. 17, when it became known that young Forbes, of Shewan, Tonkin, had been accidentally killed while dining at the officer's Mess of the Mid-dlessex Regt on Saturday night.

Firearms were played with and Forbes received a shot through the neck from which he died very quickly. The body was removed to the Mortuary, from where the funeral took place this afternoon, being largely attended.

The official enquiry took place to-day and the result was made known at once. Mr. N. S. Forbes had a large circle of friends; and was a fine young fellow, being a good footballer and general all-round athlete. He was only 24 years of age, and his people live at Greenock, Scotland.

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## AT THE THEATRE.

Anything that is fresh and original in the musical comedy line is almost certain of success, provided it is put into good hands for transmission to the theatre-going public. With the latter we have no cause to complain, and the joint authors of "The Girls of Göttingen" have produced something of a triumph of music and mirth. The company with us at present includes an exceptionally large and clever body of old and new faces, and such fine productions well merit the good house which witnessed the second performance of The Banquo Opera Co. last night. In listening to last night's performance we were inclined to become reminiscent and recall some of the old favourites of other days who used to delight us with their quaint patter and graceful singing and dancing, only we have to confine ourselves to the present, and think ourselves lucky in having such a clever combination with us now. Miss George Corliss, as the Innkeeper's Daughter, had a piece which suited her to a feather as her charm of person and her talents as a comedienne did full play. She sang her songs with marked distinction, while her dancing and acting with Mr. Dallas and Mr. Clifford were excellent. Miss Karrack, as the head of the college, played and sang very well, while Miss Constance Ladd, as the General's Daughter, had a musical double part to play, to which she did great credit. As a dancer, Miss Nitza Crystal is perfectly commandant, but lacks a certain dash; and the enthusiastic applause which rewarded her performance last night was richly deserved. Miss Henry Dallas, as Mrs. Middlehoff, acted and sang with unflattering mirth and zest, and if there was a suspicion of dullness, it met at the commencement, it soon vanished with his presence on the stage. Mr. Dan Clifford, as Otto, was a worthy brother-in-law, and shared the honours of the evening with Mr. Dallas. His topical allusion, in one of his songs, to the Long March was applauded time after time. To-night the same programme will be staged, while on Monday the old favorite "Runaway Girl" will be presented.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8th, 1908

## CHURCH SERVICES

St. John's Cathedral.

Sunday, Let in Lent.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)  
Morning (11 a.m.)  
Requiescat Final: Venite, Hymn: Psalms of the 8th morning (11);  
Benedictus, Hymn: Alleluia, and Hymn:  
Benedictus, Lingdon: Hymns, 9, 231,  
and 80.

Evensong (5.30 p.m.) (Full Choir).  
Response: Final: Psalm of the 8th  
morning (11); Morning (11);  
Nunc Dimittis: Venit, Hymn: Psalms  
of the 8th morning (11); Benedic domini.  
N.B.—Usual, 11. 12. 3. 4. 13 in  
in unison; 12. 13. Verses 1, 6, 14  
in unison; Psalm 43. Verses 3, 4  
in unison; Psalm 43. Verses 3, 4  
in unison; Voluntary, Solmiza in F  
Minor, Mendelssohn.

The Preacher at Evensong will be the  
Lord Bishop of Victoria.

UNION CHURCH.

Kennedy Road.

Minister: Rev. C. H. Irving.  
Sunday 11 a.m.—Worship conducted by  
Rev. E. M. Major, Hymn 38; Psalm  
126, Chant 12; Hymn 72, 297.

4 p.m.—Sunday School conducted by the Rev.  
H. C. Mackay, Hymn 84; Psalm 44;  
Chant 5; Hymn 409, 304.

Wednesday 5.15 p.m.—Devotional Service.  
Book at a glance "Joshua,"  
Thursday 5.30 p.m.—Choir Rehearsed.

9 p.m.—Literary Club. Musical Evening  
"Haydn." Mr. G. Grumbley.  
Friday 8 p.m.—Christian Endeavour  
Society. "Jacob."

St Andrews, Kowloon.

Robinson Hall, near British School.  
Services on Sundays:—  
Holy Communion at noon (1st and 5th  
Sundays of month),  
" " 8 a.m. (2nd and 4th  
" " Sundays of month),  
" " 7 a.m. (3rd Sunday).

Morning prayer and sermon:—at 11 a.m.  
Evening prayer and sermon:—at 6 p.m.  
On Wednesdays:—  
Shortened Evening Service (with address or reading) at 6 p.m., followed by Congregational Choir Practice at 6.45 p.m.

Children's Services, monthly, on 3rd Sundays at 3 p.m. (when necessary) at Holy Baptism (when necessary) at 4 p.m.

Sunday School on all other Sundays at 3 p.m., except during the summer months.

St. Peter's Church, Queen's Road  
West.  
INT'L INN IN LENT.  
Morning Prayer 11 a.m.  
Vespers, Evensong: Te Deum, Rossell; Bonedictus, Solmiza: Hymns, 9, 24, 524, 105.

Evening Prayer 6.30.  
Magnificat, Crotchet: Nunc Dimittis, Dyson; Hymns, 389, 95, 103, 24.

The Church band "Dysinger," which call on ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m. and between 12.15 and 1 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 1), recurring afterwards. All the sittings are free and unappropriated, visitors welcome. Books &c. provided.

Wesleyan Church, Wan Chai.  
Divine Service:—10.15 a.m.  
" 6 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home,  
Arsenal Street.  
Men's Bible Class:—2.30 p.m.  
Gospel Meeting:—8 p.m.

Peak Church.  
Holy Communion:—8 a.m.

Deutsche Kirche.  
Gottsdienst:—um 11 Uhr. In Bethel Kapelle, Caine Road.

Christian Science Services,  
York Buildings, Chater Road.—Sundays,  
11.15 a.m.; Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.  
St. Joseph's Church.  
Mass, Sardon (English) and Benediction  
at 10 a.m.

Rosary Church, Kowloon.  
In future there will be two Divine Services in the Rosary Church, Kowloon, on Sundays and Obligation days; First Mass at 7 a.m., Second Mass at 9 a.m., followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## SUFFERING WAS BEYOND WORDS

Eczema Spread All Over His Body—  
Not a Minute's Comfort in Sixteen Months—Constantly Experimented With Remedies, but Even the Doctor's Treatment Failed—  
Writer Pronounces the

## CUTICULAR REMEDIES OF MARVELOUS POWER

"A gentleman, who is a near relative of mine, who suffered terribly with eczema. The trouble started about four years ago, and has been increasing ever since. These blisters would burst and become sore. The irritation was very great at all times, and sometimes almost unbearable. He tried various remedies from the first, but nothing seemed to help him. The last year, still, he kept persevering with all the things heard or read of. An his condition gradually became worse until his skin became so sensitive that he could not even get dressed. The pain he suffered is beyond words. His work necessitates pinching his hands in water a great deal, and the water seemed to aggravate the trouble. After the doctor's treatment he was almost dry again. No sooner had he got rid of the trouble than another came. This being only on the hands, the disease crept until his whole body was affected. His wrists, elbows, and back were worst, and he could not move his arms. 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